

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated April 10, 2007, claim 4 was identified as containing allowable subject matter. In response thereto, the features of this claim have been incorporated into parent claim 1, as well as independent claims 30 and 36. In addition, claims 8 and 24 have been amended, to address the issues raised in the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Since independent claims 1, 30 and 36 recite subject matter that has been identified as being allowable, and since all other pending claims depend from claim 1, the application is submitted to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

In addition, rejoinder of claims that were withdrawn due to the election of species is requested. To this end, the withdrawn claims have been amended to conform with the changes that were made to their parent claims. Claims 15, 16, 18-20 and 23 have been canceled, to facilitate the rejoinder.

All remaining claims are submitted to be in condition for allowance, and a Notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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